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### **NEWS ADVISORY**

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# **UDOH and Partners Offer Reduced-price A1C Tests for Patients with Diabetes**

**WHO:** The A1C testing partnership includes the Utah Department of Health (UDOH), Smith's Pharmacies, Intermountain Healthcare, and the Association for Community Health (AUCH).

**WHAT:** Reduced-price A1C testing will be available to patients with diabetes across Utah on select days in March.

**WHEN:** Tuesday, March 25 and Saturday, March 29

**WHERE:** Tests will be conducted at select Smith's Pharmacies and Intermountain Healthcare clinics for just \$10.

**WHY:** The A1C number gives patients a good indication of how well their overall diabetes treatment plan is working.

**HOW:** A diabetes educator or pharmacist will be on hand at each participating location to help patients understand their results and the importance of A1C levels in diabetes management and treatment. The A1C test is a simple blood test that reflects an average blood glucose level over a three-month period. The higher the A1C level, the higher the risk of developing diabetes-related complications. Most people with diabetes should have an A1C below 7%. The A1C test should occur 2-4 times per year. The goal of the UDOH A1C campaign is to help Utahns understand A1C testing's crucial role in the maintenance of diabetes. For further information regarding the importance of A1C testing, or testing locations and availability, please visit <a href="http://health.utah.gov/diabetes/">http://health.utah.gov/diabetes/</a> or call 888-222-2542.

Please see below for a complete list of A1C testing dates/times/locations

## A1C TESTING INFORMATION: SMITH'S PHARMACY LOCATIONS

A1C Testing will be held at the following locations on Tuesday, March 25 from 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm and on Saturday, March 29 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.

#### WASATCH FRONT

1. Salt Lake City

455 South 500 East

2. Salt Lake City (Smith's Marketplace)

3300 South 3300 East (3215 South Valley Street)

3. West Valley City

4065 S Redwood Road

4. West Jordan

1820 West 9000 South

5. Midvale

980 Fort Union Blvd

6. Magna

8055 West 3500 South

#### UTAH COUNTY

1. American Fork

240 North West State Road

2. Payson

632 South 100 West

#### ADDITIONAL LOCATIONS

1. Bountiful—Tuesday and Saturday

555 South 200 West

2. Layton—Saturday Only

1170 East Gentile

3. Price—Tuesday 6-8 p.m. and Saturday 9-11a.m.

1075 East Main Street

### A1C TESTING INFORMATION: INTERMOUNTAIN HEALTHCARE LOCATIONS

A1C Testing will be held at the following locations on Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm - 8:00pm, and on Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am to 12:00pm.

- 1. Murray Intermountain Healthcare Diabetic Care Center 5770 South 250 East #310
- 2. Provo Utah Valley Regional Medical Center Diabetes Clinic 1034 North 500 West
- **3.** Ogden McKay-Dee Endocrine Clinic 4403 Harrison Blvd # 3630
- **4. Logan Cache Valley Budge Clinic** 1350 North 500 East
- 5. St. George Dixie Regional Medical Center Diabetes Clinic 544 South 400 East